

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

In this amendment, claims 1, 9, 15, 21, and 24 are amended. No claims are canceled or added.

**Claim objection**

Claim 24 was objected to because of an informality regarding the distinction of the 1 and 0 being a “logic 1” or “binary 1”. Claim 24 has been amended to refer to “a first value” and a “clear value”, and reference to 1 or 0 has been removed. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this objection.

**Rejection under 35 USC § 112, indefiniteness**

Claims 1, 9, 15, and 21 are rejected under 35 USC § 112, ¶ 2, as being indefinite. These claims have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this objection.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,



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